MICROENTERPRISE Program Survey

Program Name: Microenterprise Development Projects

Web Address:

Office \Agency: Office of Refugee Resettlement

Administration for Children and Families

Address: 370 L'Enfant Promenade, S.W.

Washington, DC 20447

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Eligible Applicants: States, public and private nonprofit organizations

Type of Assistance: Discretionary Grants

Application Process: Announcement of funding availability published in Federal

Register. Contact Program Office for further information on

application process.

Target Population: Refugees who are receiving public assistance or who are at risk for

receiving public assistance and who lack ability to secure small

loans.

Types of Services Provided to Target Population by Grantees\Recipients:

Loans and loan guarantees -

Business Training/ Technical Assistance -

Other -

Available Funding: In FY 1998, \$1,376,293 was awarded to develop and administer

microenterprise programs.

Average Award: \$172,000

Status**Achievements of Program:**

Summary Data for October 1991 - March 1997

Number of Loans:	392
Value of Loans:	\$1,083,634
Number of New Businesses:	619
Number of Business Expansions:	140
Businesses Assisted Without Loans:	367
Survival Rate of Businesses:	88.8%
Percent of Loans Written Off:	1.8%

Other Related Websites:

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Program Survey

Program Name: Job Opportunities for Low-Income Individuals (JOLI) Program

Web Address:

Office\Agency: Office of Community Services/Administration for Children and

Families/DHHS, 370 L'Enfant Promenade SW, Washington, DC

20447

Address: 370 L'Enfant Promenade SW

Washington, DC 20447

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Eligible Applicants: private, non-profit, 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organizations

Type of Assistance: up to 3-year competitive grants for up to a total of up to \$500,000

Application Process: Response to annual Program Announcement published in Federal

Register and available on OCS website:

www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ocs under "Funding Opportunities"

Target Population: TANF recipients and persons below 100% of the Poverty

Guidelines

Types of Services Provided to Target Population by Grantees\Recipients:

Funding for the creation of new jobs through new business start-up, expanding of existing businesses, or development and support of self-employment/micro-enterprises

Loans and loan guarantees:

JOLI grantees may offer loans from OCS grant funds, although not as a major use of such funds; and grantees are encouraged to access other loan resources.

Business Training:

JOLI grant funds may be used for training, business plan development, technical and marketing assistance, and other supportive services

Technical Assistance

Other: English Language

Available Funding: \$5 million per year

Average Award: \$500,000 for total project period

Status\Achievements of Program:

Since 1989 the JOLI program has funded nineteen successful Micro Enterprise programs

Other Related Websites: "www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ocs"

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Program Name: Assets for Independence Demonstration Program

Web Address: www.acf.dhhs.gov/programs/ocs at "Funding Opportunities"

Office \Agency: Office of Community Services

Administration for Children and Families

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Address: 370 L'Enfant Promenade S.W.

Washington, DC 20447

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Eligible Applicants: Private non-profit organizations tax exempt under Section

501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or State. Local or tribal governments applying jointly with such non-profit organizations.

Type of Assistance: Funds for matching contributions (with equal non-Federal funding)

to Individual Development Accounts which are savings accounts for savings from earned income by eligible participants (See "Target Population" below) for one of three allowable purposes: (1) First Home purchase, (2) Post-Secondary Education costs, or

(3) "Business Capitalization"

Application Process: Response to Annual Program Announcement published in Federal

Register and available from OCS website. (See "Web Address"

above)

Target Population: TANF recipients and lower income individuals eligible for the

Earned Income Tax Credit under the Internal Revenue Code

Types of Services Provided to Target Population by Grantees\Recipients:

Only matching contributions to IDA accounts are supported directly by grant funds. Other essential services such as business training, financial literacy courses, technical assistance, and other Stabilization and Supportive Services must be provided through other mobilized resources. Loans and loan guarantees

Business Training:

Technical Assistance

Other: English Language

Available Funding: FY 1999: \$10 Million; FY 2000: \$20 Million in Administration

Budget Request

Average Award: FY 1999: \$100,000 (Maximum \$500,000)

Status\Achievements of Program: New Program

Other Related Websites: www.idanetwork.org